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**BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING  
COMMITTEE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
SEP-II, LLC, IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE  
REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA REVISED  
STATUTES SECTION 40-360, et seq., FOR A  
CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE  
MESQUITE SOLAR GEN-TIE 230KV  
TRANSMISSION LINE, ORIGINATING AT THE  
PROPOSED MESQUITE SOLAR PHOTO  
VOLTAIC GENERATING FACILITY IN SEC.  
18, T.1S., R.6W. G&SRB&M, MARICOPA  
COUNTY, AND TERMINATING AT THE  
EXISTING MESQUITE GENERATING  
STATION 230KV SWITCHYARD IN SEC. 15,  
T.1S., R.6W. G&SRB&M, IN MARICOPA  
COUNTY, ARIZONA.

Docket No. L-00000KK-09-0299-00147

Case No. 147

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Attached is a letter from the State Historic Preservation Office, dated June 18, 2009, which was received on this date by the Chairman of the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee.

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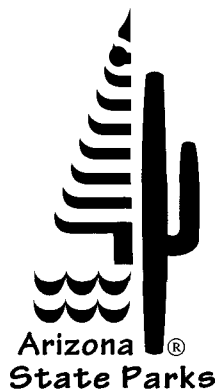
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"Managing and conserving Arizona's natural, cultural and recreational resources"

June 18, 2009

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RE: Mesquite Solar Project  
Docket No. L-00000KK-09-0299-00147  
State Act Consultation  
SHPO-2008-1002 (40218)

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Mr. Foreman:

Thank you for consulting with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-864 for the Arizona Corporation Commission regarding an application by SEP-II, LLC, for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility regarding the Mesquite Solar Gen-Tie 230 kV Transmission Line Project in Maricopa County, Arizona. We have reviewed the submitted materials and offer the following comments.

Our records indicate that the project area has **not** been inspected for cultural resources, and is in proximity to recorded archaeological resources. We recommend that the **project area be inspected for cultural resources by a qualified archaeologist** in order to locate and evaluate any existing cultural remains within the project area. In addition, the Governor of Arizona's Executive Order 2006-14 regarding tribal consultation should be noted, given the tribal interests in the area where project area is located. The applicant is reminded that Arizona State Law requires that if human remains or burial goods are encountered during any ground-disturbing activities, even on private lands [i.e., A.R.S. § 41-865], work in the immediate vicinity must cease and the Director of the Arizona State Museum promptly notified.

We appreciate your cooperation with this office in considering the potential impacts of development on cultural resources situated in Arizona. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (602) 542-7140 or electronically at [djacobs@azstateparks.gov](mailto:djacobs@azstateparks.gov).

Sincerely,

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State Historic Preservation Office

CC: Steve Ross, ASLD

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